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Jesus Christ: Source of Our Salvation

Chapter 5 Directed Reading Worksheet

The Passion and Death of Jesus Christ

Date _____

Directions: Read through the chapter and fill in the missing information. All the questions run sequential to the chapter. If a true/false statement is false, correct it.

Introduction: *Dying for Love* (pages 157–158)

1. True or False? Believing in God enables us to see our own lives on earth from the perspective of eternal life.

Section 1: *The Events Leading Up to Jesus' Passion* (pages 160–167)

2. The _____ narratives are probably the oldest accounts about Jesus proclaimed by the early _____. In order to show Jesus as the fulfillment of the promise of redemption, the narratives include many references to Old Testament prophecies. While all the evangelists agree on _____ details in the narratives, each wrote from a unique _____ with different points of _____.
3. True or False? The evangelists emphasize certain theological points by shaping the events of Christ's Passion, such as how the disciples are portrayed at the time of Jesus' arrest.
4. Fulfilling the prophecy of _____, Jesus enters Jerusalem on a _____. The crowds who welcomed him were the poor and those who came to him for _____. They greeted him as a _____ shouting: Hosanna to the _____; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; _____ in the highest, and waving palm _____ and spreading out their cloaks as a sign of _____.
5. What did Jesus show his disciples when he leveled charges against the buyers and seller in the Temple area?
6. The intensity of Jesus' speech against the _____ and Pharisees about the use of the _____ for business may reflect the continued _____ many converts in the early years of the Church experienced with _____ Judaism, the primary audience of _____ Gospel. However, Jesus was speaking primarily against the _____ of sin.
7. True or False? Because it was Pentecost, and Pentecost is typically celebrated on the night of the first full moon of spring, there would have been a full moon lighting the way.
8. Why was Jesus opposed by the Pharisees and Herodians?
9. Why was Jesus opposed by the Sadducees?
10. True or False? Although Jesus showed submission to the written Law, he did not always interpret the oral tradition connected to the Law in the same way as the Romans.

11. True or False? The Apostles would later encounter a similar resistance from Jewish leaders when they went out to preach the Gospel, just like Jesus.
12. What did the woman who anointed Jesus in Bethany recognize in him?
13. According to the Gospel of John, what was Judas' motive for betraying Jesus?
14. True or False? Though people may commit very serious sins, Jesus can redeem most of them from the sins' eternal consequences.
15. What sacraments are paths to divine forgiveness?
16. Jesus instituted the Sacrament of the _____ as a memorial of his Passover from _____ to new life. Showing that he was very much in _____ of the events, he planned the Passover meal with his _____ and showed them how they should recall his _____ gift of sacrificing his life through the _____ celebration of the Holy Eucharist.
17. True or False? Jesus is symbolically present in the forms of the consecrated bread and wine in the Eucharist.
18. Explain what he means when Jesus prays that the Father would remove his cup of pain and death.

Section 2: *Jesus' Passion and Death* (pages 169–175)

19. True or False? The Jewish leaders obtained false evidence and brought in false witnesses so that they could sentence Jesus to death.
20. True or False? The high priest accused Jesus of committing the sin of blasphemy, which was not punishable by death under Jewish law.
21. True or False? Jesus correctly predicted that Peter would deny knowing him three times.
22. Explain why Jesus was executed due to the crime of sedition rather than the charge of blasphemy.

23. True or False? Pilate knew that Jesus was innocent, yet he did not follow his conscience.
24. The _____ scourged and mocked Jesus, spit on him in utter _____, stripped him of his clothing and dressed him in a _____ military cloak before making him walk to his _____. The severe beating Jesus received so weakened him that _____ had to help him carry his _____.
25. What was particularly horrible about the death of someone who was crucified?
26. Explain the meaning of Jesus' words from the cross: "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" What did some mistakenly think when they heard his words?
27. True or False? The splitting in two of the veil in the Temple's sanctuary symbolized that the days of the Old Covenant had ended, and Jesus' Death had removed the barrier separating humans from God.
28. Who were the ones that did not abandon Jesus at this Crucifixion?
29. Pilate released Jesus' Body to _____, a wealthy disciple of Jesus who was a member of the _____, but who did not approve of Jesus' _____, who wrapped Jesus Body and placed it in a _____ tomb. This was done hurriedly late on Friday afternoon since the _____ began at sundown. Matthew reports that the Pharisees posted _____ at the tomb.
30. Why is it important that Jesus' opponents and nonbelievers knew that he was dead and could identify the place of his burial?

Section 3: *Christ's Death Redeems the World* (pages 176–187)

31. The _____, part of God's plan of salvation, is the high point of human _____ and was part of God's plan _____ to humanity immediately after the _____ of Adam and Eve. Though the Father knew beforehand how each person involved in the Crucifixion of Jesus would respond, they _____ chose to crucify him, and he did not stop these events because they were _____ for his plan for Salvation.
32. True or False? When St. Paul wrote: "Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures," Paul was referring to the Old Testament prophecies such as the Suffering Servant in Isaiah 53.
33. Why was Jesus able to bridge the gap between the Father and humans in a unique way?

34. True or False? Jesus invites us to share in his achievement on the Cross and in his Resurrection through the sacramental life of the Church, especially in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.
35. By sending his own _____ as a slave to a fallen humanity, God the _____ made his sinless Son to be sin so that he could restore humanity's _____. Jesus embraced his Father's _____ of salvation. While Jesus did not experience human _____ himself, he stood in _____ with sinful humans.

Fill in the appropriate "salvation vocabulary" on the right with the correct description on the left.

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| 36. _____ | Making right an offense against justice or truth | Atonement |
| 37. _____ | A price or fee paid to free a person who has been captured or kidnapped | Expiation |
| 38. _____ | A ritual offering made to God by a priest on behalf of the people | Justification |
| 39. _____ | The act by which a sinner makes amends for sin | Ransom |
| 40. _____ | Making amends or compensating for an injustice or an injury | Redemption |
| 41. _____ | To be made just, holy, and acceptable before God. | Reparation |
| 42. _____ | Emphasizes making right the offense by paying the just penalty | Sacrifice |
| 43. _____ | Buying back or freeing a person's obligation by payment | Satisfaction |

44. What is salvation history?

45. God wanted to regain the close _____ with humanity before Original Sin created a _____ between him and human beings. And because no one person or _____ offered by humanity was capable of _____ the debt and all the personal _____ that followed, he needed to _____ personally in human history to heal the _____ caused by sin.

46. True or False? Abraham's sacrifice was a complete gift to the world because only he was perfectly suited to be the instrument of God's love.

47. What are the two primary gifts Jesus' Death and Resurrection provides to human beings.

48. True or False? Jesus offers us a share in God's own heart and life that far exceeds anything Adam and Eve could have imagined.

49. Both Pilate and the Jewish leaders opposed Jesus for the same reasons. Explain.

50. True or False? To the question: "who is responsible for Jesus' Death?" the Church teaches that we must regard as guilty all those who continue to relapse into their sins.